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SUBJ: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION: CONTACT GROUP MEETING ON
PROGRAM OF ACTION

1. WHILE G-77 PROVED THEMSELVES TO BE SURPRISINGLY
ACCOMMODATING IN MARATHON DISCUSSION OF PROGRAM OF
ACTION APRIL 29, SIZABLE PORTION OF TEXT IS STILL UNAGREED
AND THERE NO EXPECTATION THAT DIFFERENCES BETWEEN G-77
AND WEO'S CAN BE BRIDGED. COMMENTS ON REVISE TEXT
(TRANSMITTED SEPTTEL) FOLLOW IN PARA 5 BELOW.

2. MOST INTERESTING DEVELOPMENT WAS G-77 REAFFIRMA-
TION THAT PROGRAM OF ACTION WAS INTENDED BY THEM MERELY
TO STATE DIRECTION IN WHICH INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HEADED
AND (QUOTING INDIAN AMBASSADOR) "NOT ASKING DEVELOPED
COUNTRIES FOR A COMMITMENT HERE TO CHANGE POLICIES". THEY
SAID DISCUSSION WITHIN G-77 AT END OF WEEK HAD LED TO MAJOR
CONCESSION THAT ALL OPERATIVE PARAS (EVEN WHERE NOT
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EXPLICITLY INDICATED IN TEXT) WOULD BEGIN "ALL EFFORTS

SHOULD BE MADE TO". US AND UK HAVE REPLIED THAT SUCH FORMULATION DID NOT MEET OUR NEEDS, BUT WE HOPED WORK ALONG THIS PATH MIGHT MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO REACH CONSENSUS AGREEMENT OF PROGRAM OF ACTION. INDIAN AMBASSADOR, SPEAKING FOR HIMSELF, RAISED AS POSSIBLE SOLUTION REFERRAL OF PROGRAM TO SOME AD HOC COMMITTEE, "WITH REAL NEGOTIATIONS AT THE 29TH REGULAR GA SESSION." THERE WAS NO FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS IDEA.

3. ONLY US, EC-9 MEMBERS AND JAPAN RAISED ISSUES WITH G-77 DRAFT TEXT. REPS OF JAPANESE AND EC-9 DELS ADVISED US DEL OFF AT CLOSE OF SESSION THAT EVEN AS TEXTS OF DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION NOW STAND THEY WILL PROBABLY GO ALONG WITH ADOPTION BY CONSENSUS WITH "LENGTHY AND STRONG" STATEMENTS OF RESERVATION. US DEL OFF MADE CLEAR THAT THIS WAS NOT US POSITION.

4. AS WITH WORK ON DECLARATION, GROUND RULES OF MEETING PROVIDED THAT, EVEN WHERE DISAGREEMENT OR RESERVATION NOT STATED, ALL TEXTS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL IN CAPITALS.

5. COMMENTS ON REVISED TEXT FOLLOW:

PART 1 (RAW MATERIALS AND PRIMARY COMMODITIES)

SUBPARA 1 (III): TEXT WILL BE MODIFIED TO REFLECT AGREEMENT, IF ANY, ON SIMILAR SUBPARA IN DECLARATION.

SUBPARA 1 (IV); WEO AMENDMENTS REJECTED. IN DISAGREED TEXT.

SUBPARA 1 (V); UK AMENDMENT REJECTED. DISAGREED TEXT.

PARA 2: UNNUMBERED SUBPARA BETWEEN (IV) AND (V) IS DISAGREED.

SUBPARA 2 (VII): SUBJECT OF LONG NEGOTIATION AT END OF WHICH WEO'S CONCLUDED REFERENCE TO "ELIMINATION OF PROTECTIVE AND OTHER MEASURES" HAD BEEN SO WATERED DOWN AS TO MAKE TEXT ACCEPTABLE AD REF.

SUBPARA 3 (I): UK PROPOSAL TO AMEND IN ORDER TO DELETE REFERENCE TO "TERM OF TRADE" REJECTED. IS DISAGREED TEXT, ALTHOUGH BELIEVE OTHER WEO'S READY TO ACCEPT.

SUBPARA 3 (I) (A): JAPANESE PROPOSAL TO ADD "AS ADOPTED" WAS REJECTED. TEXT ACCEPTED BY EC-9.

SUBPARA 3 (I) (C): WHEN US DEL SAID COULD NOT AGREE TO FORMULATION OF COMMODITY AGREEMENTS EXCEPT "WHERE APPROPRIATE" AND "IN ORDER TO STABILIZE MARKET", G-77 MODIFIED THEIR CONCEPT "TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REGULATE" BY ADDING "WHERE NECESSARY". US DEL SAID FINAL VERSION "IN ORDER TO REGULATE WHERE NECESSARY AND TO STABILISE THE WORLD MARKETS ETC.", WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE BUT WOULD SEEK INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN DISTANCE G-77 HAD COME. EC-9 ACCEPTED AD REF.

SUBPARA 3(I) (D): DISAGREED TEXT. WEO'S REJECTED CONCEPT OF OVERALL INTEGRATED PLAN.

SUBPARA 3 (I) (E): DISAGREED TEXT.

SUBPARA 3 (I) (F): ISSUE WAS USE OF WORDS "STRUCTURAL

ADJUSTMENTS" IN G-77 PROPOSAL. WEO'S WOULD NOT ACCEPT AND G-77 AGREED TO "APPROPRIATE ADJUSTMENTS."

SUBPARA 3 (I) (G): DISAGREED TEXT.

SUBPARA 3 (I) (H): DISAGREED TEXT.

SUBPARA 3(I)(I): DISAGREED TEXT. G-77 HAD AGREED TO AMEND OPENING OF SENTENCE TO READ "SETTING UP, AS NECESSARY, OF BUFFER STOCKS WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF COMMODITY ARRANGEMENTS AND THEIR FINANCING ETC". WOULD NOT AGREE, HOWEVER, TO DELETION OF CONCLUDING CLAUSE "THE AIM BEING TO FAVOR THE PRODUCING AND CONSUMING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES."

SUBPARA 3(I) (J): DISAGREED TEXT.

SUBPARA 3(II): DISAGREED TEXT.

SUBPARA 3(III): (B) AND (D) ARE DISAGREED TEXTS, ALTHOUGH--NATURALLY--SOME WEOS WERE ABLE TO ACCEPT.

SUBPARA 3 (V); DISAGREED TEXT. US DEL LED OPPOSITION TO THIS TEXT ON WHICH EC-9) 7,0430-43\$. ARGENTINE DEL SLIPPED US REP PHASE "TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE" AS WAY OUT OF IMPASSE, BUT G-77 SPOKESMEN REJECTED. AUSTRIANS INSERTED "LEGITIMATE" BUT US MAINTAINED RESERVATION. EC-9 TO STUDY.

PART II (INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM AND FINANCING OF DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES)

IN SUB-GROUP MEETING THERE WAS GENERAL AGREEMENT THAT ANY ACCORD REACHED ON LANGUAGE OF THIS SECTION WAS TO BE ON AD REFERENDUM BASIS BY ALL PARTIES. CHAIR (DIALLO) STATED THAT A MAJORITY WOULD CONSTITUTE AGREEMENT AND OTHERS COULD STATE THEIR RESERVATIONS IN STATEMENTS OF EXPLANATION OR INTERPRETATION. FRG STATED SPECIAL RESERVATIONS ON SUB-PARAS (C), (E), (F), AND (G) OF SECTION DEALING WITH REFOR OF INTERNATIONAL MONETARY SYSTEM. US OPPOSITION TO THESE TEXTS ALREADY ON RECORD.

IN SECTION OF FINANCING OF DEVELOPMENT OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, WEO'S REQUESTED DELETION OF ENTIRE SUB-PARA (D); HOWEVER, G-77 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MAINTAINED IT. NOTE THAT SUPARA (C) IS ADDITIONAL PARA BASED ON SWEDISH PROPOSAL (PREVIOUSLY TRANSMITTED TO DEPT), AND ALTHOUGH IT IS COMPROMISE WORDING ACCEPTABLE TO G-77, UK, FRANCE, JAPAN, AND ITALY EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD WORDING RE "EQUITABLE PATTERN OF VOTING RIGHTS," NEW SUB-PARA (H) WAS PRESENTED TO REPLACE ORIGINAL BASED ON GENERAL ACCEPTANCE BY SEPARATE WORKING GROUP OF IDENTICAL PARA IN SPECIAL MEASURES FOR MSA'S. BOTH UK AND FRG EXPRESSED SURPRISE AT GENERAL AGREEMENT IN OTHER WORKING GROUP AND SAID THAT THEY COULDN'T ACCEPT IT WITHOUT REFERRING BACK TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS.

PART III (INDUSTRIALIZATION)

GENERAL: JAPANESE REFORMULATION TO EFFECT THAT ALL COUNTRIES SHOULD TAKE MEASURES TOWARDS INDUSTRIALIZATION OF LDC'S WAS REJECTED. G-77 ACCEPTED SOME OTHER MODIFICATIONS OF THEIR

ORIGINAL WORDING IN (I) THROUGH (III).

SUQBPARA (IV); EMANATED FROM ROMANIANS.

PART IV (TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY)

PARA (A): UK, FRG AND US DISAGREED.

PARA (E): TEXT EMANATED FROM DUTCH. ORIGINAL PROPOSAL CONTAINED REFERENCE TO "ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF ENERGY," BUT G-77 REORDERED TO AVOID THAT.

PART V (MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS)

GENERAL: ENTIRE SECTION DISAGREED TO BY US, UK, FRG AND FRENCH.

PARA (A): US OBJECTED TO LAST HALF OF SENTENCE, INTRODUCED BY G-77 DURING MEETING.

PARA (B): US, UK AND JAPAN DISAGREED TO SECOND HALF OF SENTENCE, ALSO INTRODUCED AT LAST MINUTE.

PART VI (CHARTER)

FINAL WEO EFFORT TO AMEND LAST SENTENCE WITH REGARD TO WHEN CHARTER TO BE "ADOPTED" REJECTED BY G-77 ON GROUNDS 28TH GA RESOLUTION ON SUBJECT CALLED FOR ADOPTION AT NEXT REGULAR SESSION.

PART VII (COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES)

PARA (A): DISAGREED TEXT. SOME THOUGHT THAT ANY SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME TO DISCUSSION OF PRODUCERS ASSOCIATIONS IN CONTEXT OF DECLARATION MIGHT PROVIDE BASIS FOR COMPROMISE LANGUAGE HERE.

PARA (B): AGREED THAT THIS PARA WOULD HAVE TO REFLECT RESULTS OF NEGOTIATIONS IN REGARD TO DECLARATION.

PARA (E): DISAGREED TEXT.

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PART VIII (UN SYSTEM)

PARA 4: US DEL STATED GREAT DIFFICULTY WITH UNUSUAL REFERENCE TO UNCTAD. SAID THAT AS COMPROMISE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ACCEPT IF REFERENCE WERE TO UNCTAD "AND" OTHER COMPETENT BODIES, BUT THIS REJECTED BY G-77.

PARA 4, SECOND PART: DISAGREED TEXT. SOME THOUGHT THAT ANY AGREEMENT ON PART II MIGHT PROVIDE BASIS FOR TEXT HERE.

PART IX (EXERCISE OF PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY)

&3,34-): DISAGREED TEXT. US AND UK REJECTED FIRMLY. SOME THOUGHT THAT ANY AGREEMENT ON PERMANENT SOVEREIGNTY ISSUE IN DECLARATION MIGHT PROVIDE BASIS FOR LANGUAGE HERE, BUT US NOTED IT WOULD HAVE TO STICK CLOSE TO DECLARATION.

PART X (SPECIAL PROGRAM)

GENERAL: US AND JAPAN EXPRESSED RESERVATIONS WITH REGARD INCLUSION OF "SPECIAL MEASURES" TEXT IN PROGRAM OF ACTION. ISSUE LEFT UNDECIDED.

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